(f) and (g) The Drug Policy including DPCO, 1987 is still under review of the Government.

Direction of the Court for Recovery

1134. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :
SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA :
CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1326 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th December, 1991 and state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government first agreed to one sided order of the Bombay High Court through its consent and are now shielding the company by not taking the direction of the court;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof;

(c) whether Government are proposing to seek directions to recover the amounts and withdrawal of consent order in the absence of non-submission of data by the company;

(d) whether it is a fact that the hands which reduced the liability of Rs. 100 crores to Rs. 3.19 crores are still active and at work in his Ministry;

(e) if so, what steps are being taken to expedite the recovery;

(f) whether it is a fact that even the time schedules given by the Court have been violated; and

(g) what steps are being taken to investigate the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN) : (a) to (g) Hearing was proposed to be given to M/s. Hoechst in the last week of March, 1992. The company has, however, submitted a detailed representation which is under examination. The company has not yet made available the entire data for the period after 25-8-1987 in a number of cases. The tentative liability of Rs. 77.81 crores communicated earlier to the company does not take into account the impact of the data yet to be received from the company. The company has been informed that in case they do not supply the data, Govt. will have no alternative but to make use of whatever data becomes available from other sources to enable determination of liability of the company and passing of a speaking order, in accordance with the order dated 8th March, 1991 of the Bombay High Court. All efforts are being made to expedite the entire process of consideration, hearing and passing the speaking order in this case.

Charging Exorbitant Prices by Multinationals

1135. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :
SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA :
CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3092 given in the Rajya Sabha on 19th December, 1991 and state :

(a) whether it is a fact that for several bulk drugs given in the annexure there are no notified prices and the multinationals are charging exorbitant prices;

(b) if so, names of these drugs and since when each drug fall under DPCO, 1987;

(c) whether it is also a fact that notifications available in the Parliament library are over nine months old and the details of current prices are not available;

(d) whether Government are incapable of giving the current prices of 50 old bulk drugs produced by the multinationals;

(e) what are the current prices of each of the bulk drugs given in the annexure and when were they fixed and what was the old price of each; and

(f) what are the names of these bulk drugs, prices of which have not been fixed after Aug. 1987 and what are the reasons for non-fixation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN) : (a) to (e) In the annexure to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3092 answered on 19th December, 1991, the names of both